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Sen. Allen announces brownfield tax credit for Cheboygan

LANSING — Cheboygan will receive more than \$400,000 to help redevelop a brownfield site, announced Sen. Jason Allen, R-Traverse City.

"This is a wonderful economic opportunity for Cheboygan," Allen said. "These funds will allow them to improve the city's atmosphere with more cultural and entertainment opportunities."

Through the Michigan Economic Growth Authority, J & D Investments of Cheboygan, LLC will receive a Brownfield Redevelopment Single Business Tax credit of \$414,720. The Mariner Village project will consist of a dry stack in/out boat storage marina with retail shops, maintenance and a restaurant.

The 35,000 square foot marina will be built after the existing Thompson Lumber building and convenience store is demolished. The facility will feature 2,500 square feet for retail and office space, room for a maintenance shop, and restroom and shower amenities for boaters.

While the bank will be renovated and extended to accommodate 5,000 square feet of retail space, the boathouse will be renovated to match the marina décor. The restaurant and retail shops will be open all year.

The project is estimated to create 13 new jobs and generate \$4.1 in private investment.

"Turning brownfield locations into positive and productive businesses is essential to the success of our cities and villages," Allen said. "The Mariner Village project will help make Cheboygan a more beautiful and enjoyable place to live and visit, and create new job opportunities."